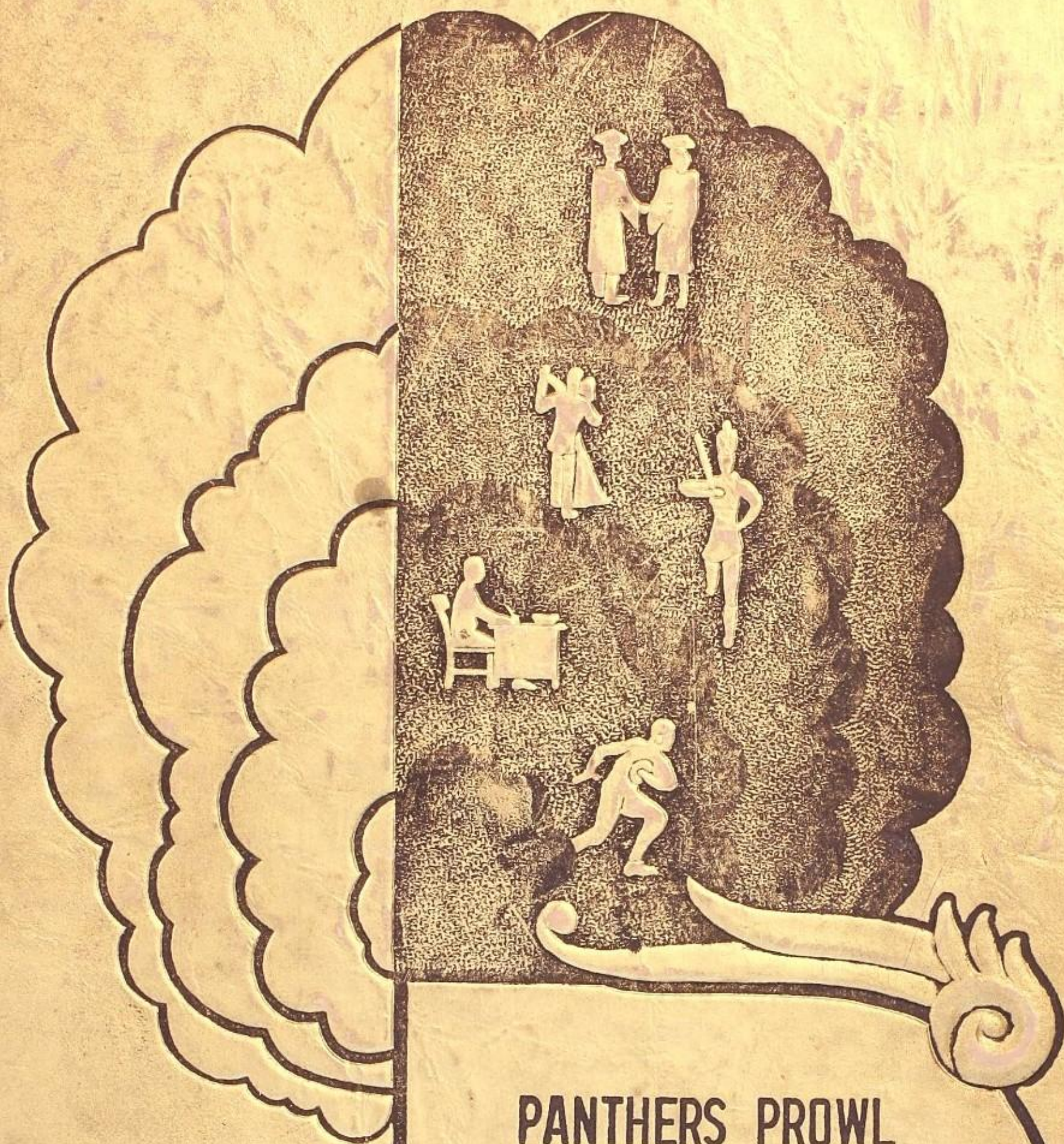




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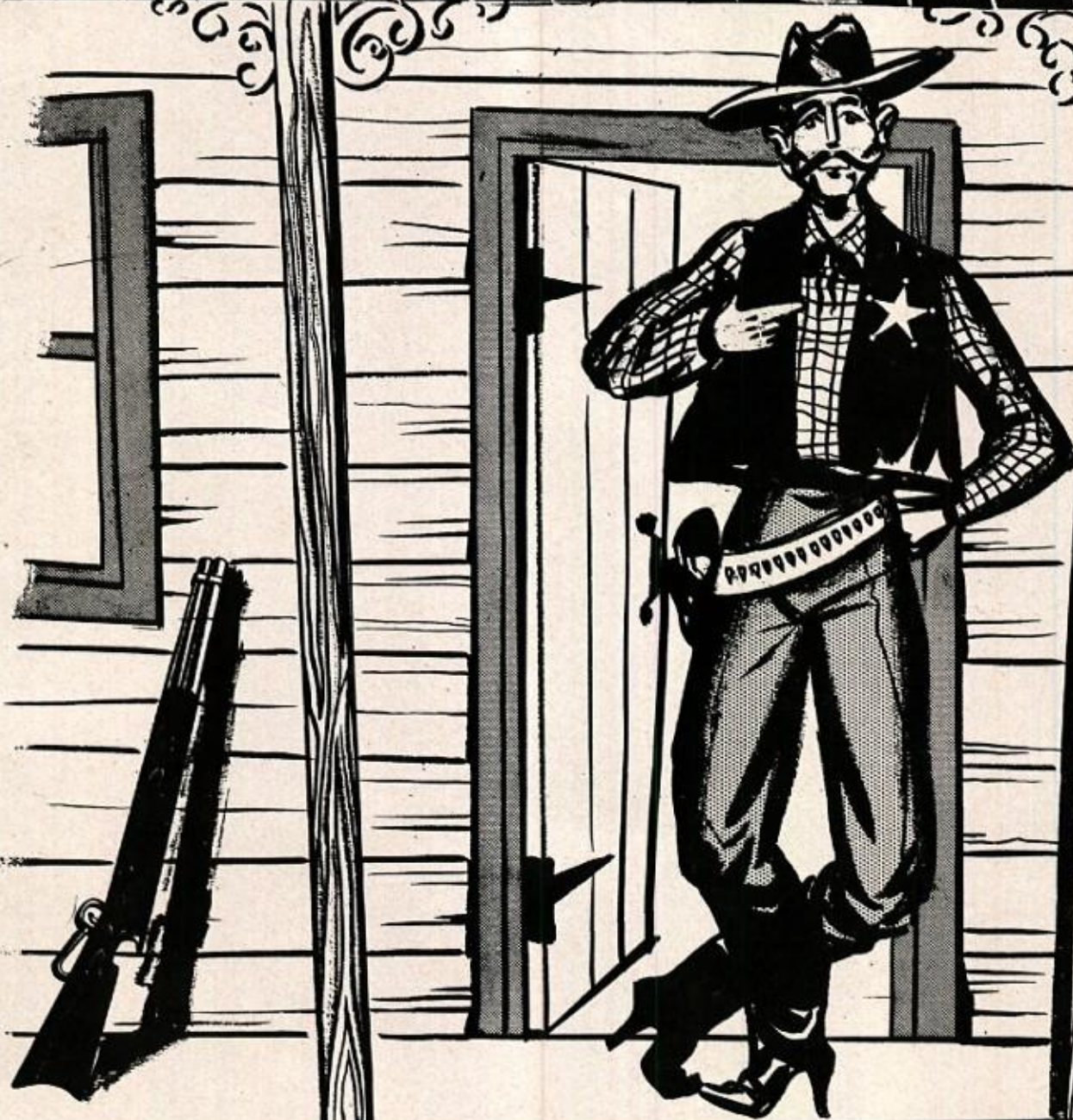
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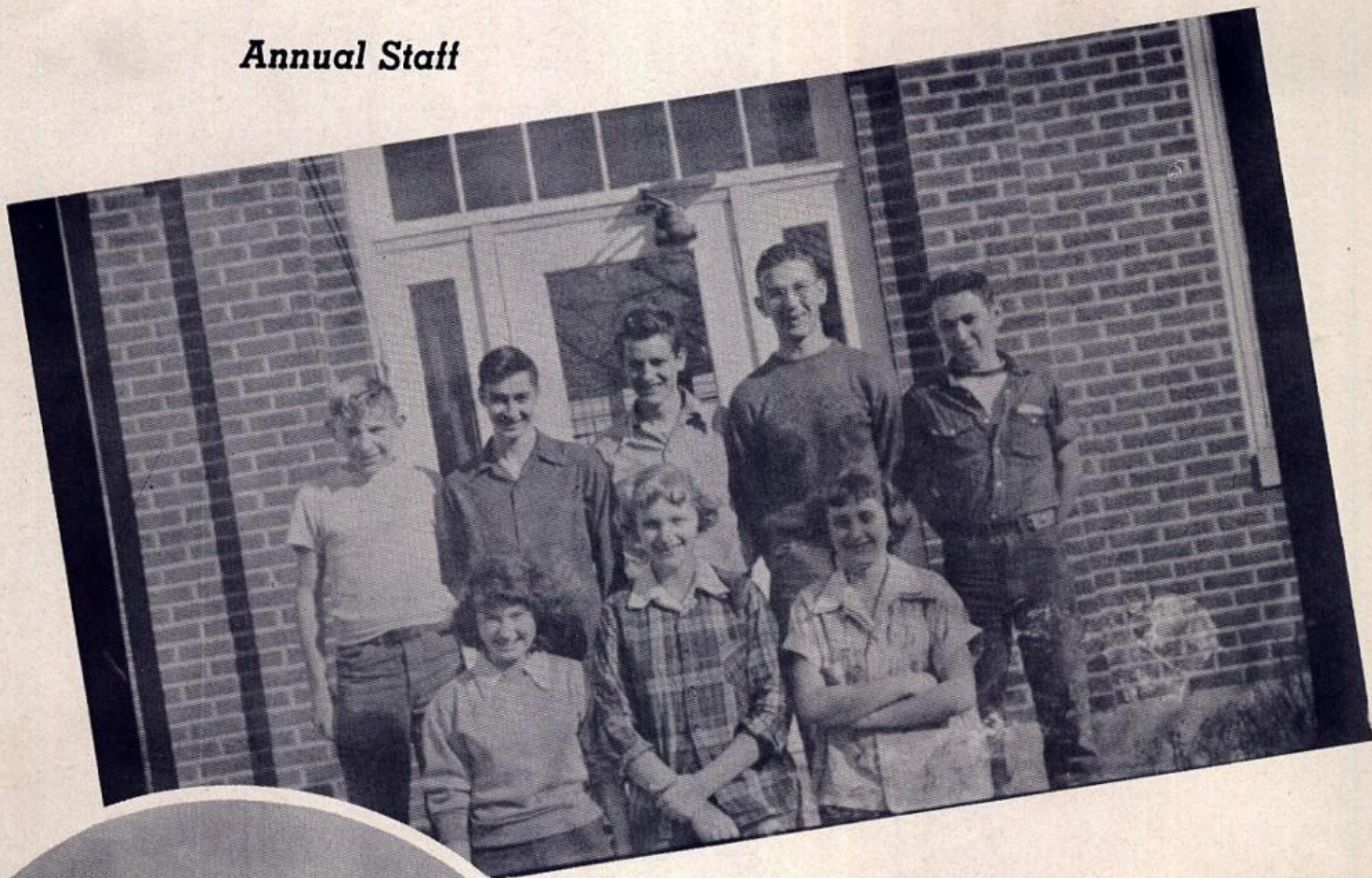


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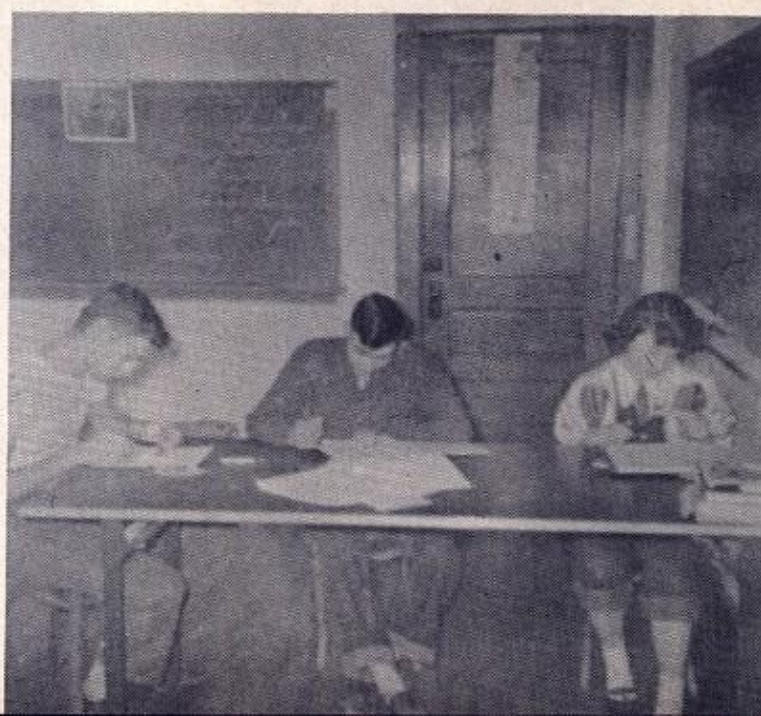


Front row: Elsie Stevens, Ruth Roether,
Darlene Walters.
Back row: Gene Christensen, Floyd Nelson,
Harlan Wilson, Bob Johnston,
William Davies.



Floyd Nelson and Bob Johnston

Bob Johnston, Floyd Nelson,
Elsie Stevens.





SENIORS

These Ambitious Seniors



ROBERT LEE JOHNSTON
 Class President-----4
 Vice-President -----3
 Reporter -----2
 Basketball-----1,2,3,4
 Glee Club -----1,2,3,4
 Mixed Ensemble -----4
 Boys Sextet-----4



ELSIE IRENE STEVENS
 Class President-----2
 Class Secretary-----4
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 Junior Play-----2,3,4
 Senior Play -----3,4
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 Mixed Chorus -----3,4
 Glee Club -----1,2,3,4

FLOYD NELSON
 President -----4
 Junior Play -----2,3
 Senior Play-----4
 Basketball-----1,2,3,4
 Baseball-----3,4
 Track-----3
 Music -----1,2,3,4



Class History

In the fall of 1948 there were eight little Freshmen coming to Milford High School. They were Kieth Trotter, Ken Trotter, Rayford Blevins, Floyd Nelson, Bonnie Head, Bonnie Schweitzer, Pat Head, and Elsie Stevens. We had a lot of new experiences that year. Our Freshman initiation was pretty bad but we all lived through it. The year passed by quickly for our class.

Then in fall of 1949 we came back to Milford and there were seven Sophomores. We lost Kenneth Trotter who went to join the Navy. We also lost Rayford Blevins in March of 1950 who moved with his folks to a different farm. The rest of the Sophomores finished their Sophomore year.

We came back to Milford High School in September 1950 with only three Juniors. Pat Head, Elsie Stevens, and Floyd Nelson. Bonnie Head had quit school. Bonnie Jean went to Chapman High School and Kieth Trotter left to join the Navy. However in our Junior year Bob Johnston from Scandia came to Milford to go to school. We finished our Junior year with these four.

Our last and final year in 1951 and 1952 there were again only three of us; Floyd, Bob, and Elsie. Pat Head did not finish school. The following were: Bob Johnston was president, Floyd Nelson, vice-president, and Elsie Stevens, secretary-treasurer. We completed our year with the same three.

Class Poem

The time to graduate is near
We never thought we'd make it here.
From M. H. S. our Alma Mater,
To venture where there are many other.

Ours is the smallest class of all,
Only three answer the roll call.
We're always there when it comes to work,
Not a one did ever shirk.

Bob Johnston is a swell guy,
He never bothers anyone.
Always with a friendly grin,
Which he refuses none.

Bob Johnston is a swell guy,
Who talks but very little.
But there is something special,
In all he has to say.

Elsie Stevens is quite a girl,
She sure is cute, but not much of a talker.
She's lots of fun, or so I have heard,
If she makes a promise, she keeps her word.

Elsie is Sam's girl,
Once in awhile they go for a whirl,
In Sam's 1951 Ford,
Made of bolts, tin, and board.

Floyd is a happy go lucky lad,
Whenever he's around you're glad.
Some new trick he's always trying,
I know someday he will catch you spying.

Floyd is a jolly good fellow,
There's mischief in his eyes.
He gets the girls without a sigh,
Of course, he never ever tells them goodbye.

Prophecy

Ten long years have passed since I have been to Milford last. My thoughts are returning back to the year I was a Senior at Milford High School. There were only three of us that year, two boys, and one girl. They were Floyd Nelson, Bob Johnston, and Elsie Stevens. How the time has passed-it seems only yesterday we were back there. Why only last night I was listening to the radio when I heard the voice of Floyd Nelson. He is now a great singer on the radio and plays on T.V. shows. I have heard he has won many trips to different places in other countries because of his famous voice. Now he is going to go back to Milford for sort of a reunion. Every one will flock from all over to hear his famous voice.

I was talking to one of Bob Johnston's cousins the other night and he is now governor of California. I wasn't surprised to hear it, I always knew he would be something like that. Bob became married to Phylis and they are living in California now. Bob is also a great speaker in government work. He is suppose to make a speech tonight. I surely don't want to miss it.

I have now made dancing my career. Just think I get to have so many good looking men for my pardoners. I'm not married yet and well I guess I just have too much to do besides thinking of getting married. Of course if the right handsome man comes along I'm sure I'll change my mind.

This was my only evening off and here I have been sitting and thinking about our years in high school and now just look how time has changed everything. Well, I don't want to miss hearing Floyd sing, or Bob's famous speech so I better hurry around I guess. Sitting here I couldn't have helped but see how successful my classmates are.

Last Will and Testament

We, the Senior class of the School of Milford, County of Geary, State of Kansas, being of sound mind, body, and memory do hereby make, publish and declare this to be our last will and testament, revoking any wills heretofore made by us.

We leave the Freshmen the good example we have set as Seniors and hope they get more out of school than we did.

We leave the Juniors our easy, dignified ways, knowing they will never have them.

We leave the Sophomores our good grades and hope they will keep them up.

I, Bob Johnston, do hereby leave the following items:

To Raymond Shivers, my ability to get good grades in history.

To Bob Oldnettle, my steady girl if he thinks he can get her.

To Harlan Wilson, I will my "41" so that he can get from one place to the other.

To Roy Head, my 1-9 tractor, so if he gets left in Junction he'll have a way to get home.

To Darlene Walters, my ability to stay home every night of the week, with one exception. That is only on basketball nights. I know she will do this.

To William Davies my typing ability.

To the teachers a bottle of Hadacol to help them recouperate from the trouble that I have caused them.

I, Floyd Nelson, being of sound mind (I HOPE) leave the following items:

To Roy Head my good old 41 Ford in case his breaks down. (and it probably will.)

To Gene Christensen, I leave my ability to play basketball.

To Raymond Shivers, my ability to get along with the girls.

To Roberta Mellinger, how to keep trim without going on a diet.

To Ruth Roether, I will my ability of getting good grades in history.

To the school, I hope they don't get another student that has caused them as much trouble as I have.

I, Elsie Irene Stevens, being of sound mind leave the following items:

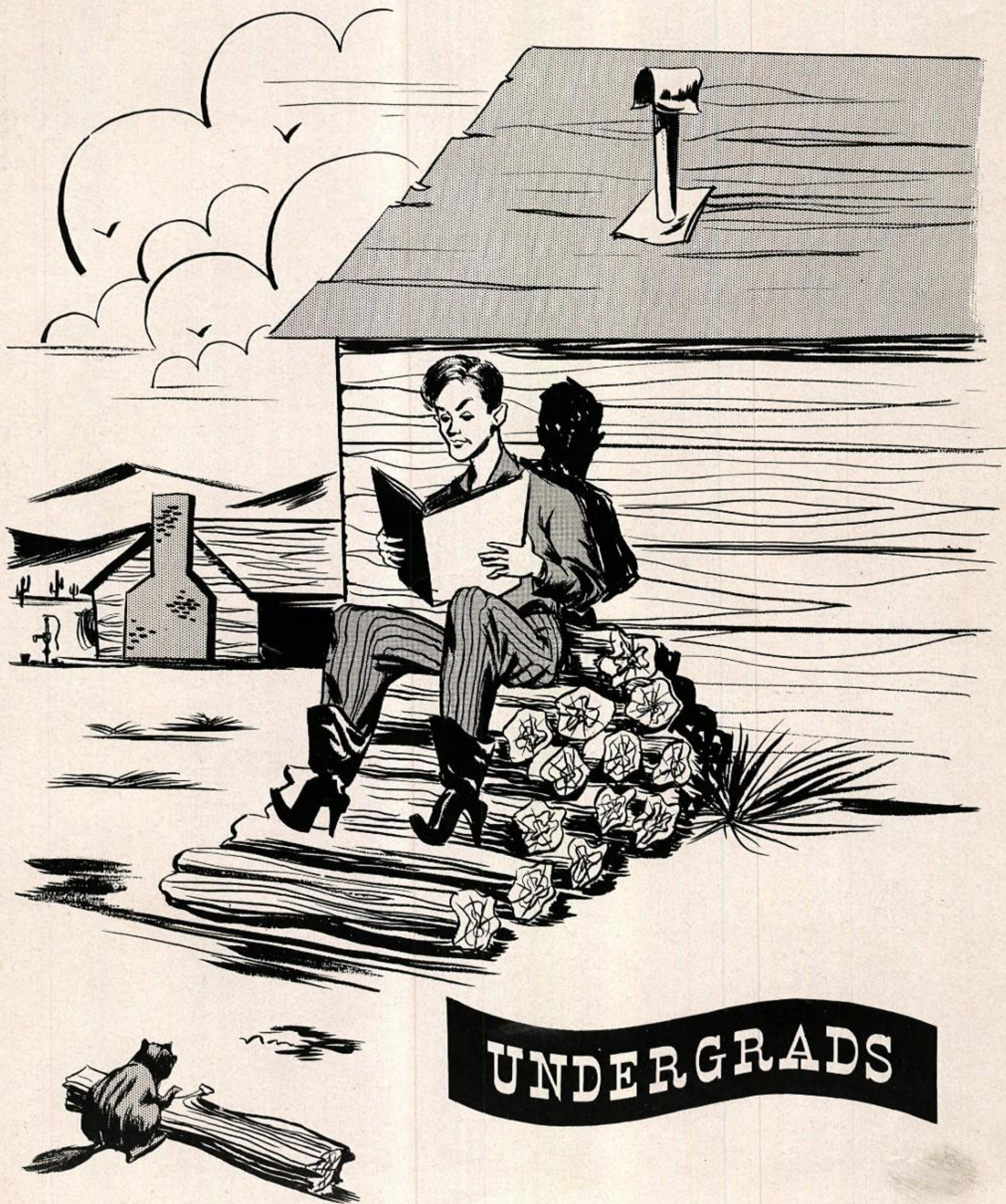
To Ruth Roether, my ability of always being to class on time.

To my little sister Velma, I give my history book that I used so much in hopes she will take good care of it.

To Darlene Walters, my way of never getting into trouble and always being good.

To Anna Johnston, my ability of always getting to bed early in the evening, so she can be bright and cheerful the next day.

I hope the teachers and students of Milford High School will be fortunate in not having another student like me.



UNDERGRADS

Juniors



ROBERTA MELLINGER



RUTH ROETHER

LARRY DENVER



HARLAN WILSON



JIM PUCK



BOB PUCK



RONALD HEAD



WILLIAM DAVIES



HELEN KIDD

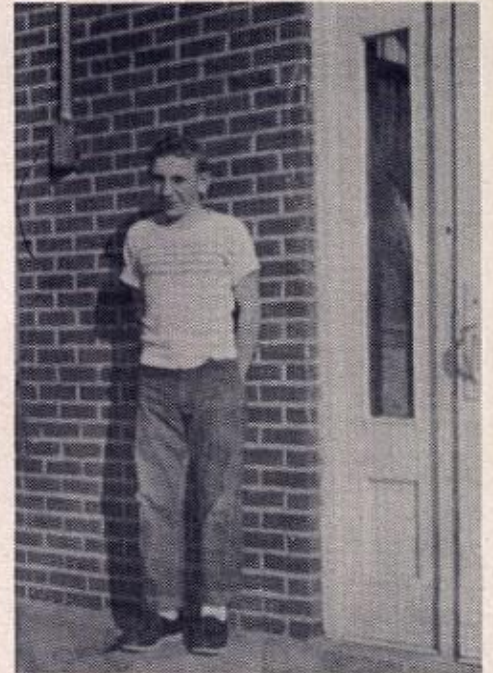
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Sophomores



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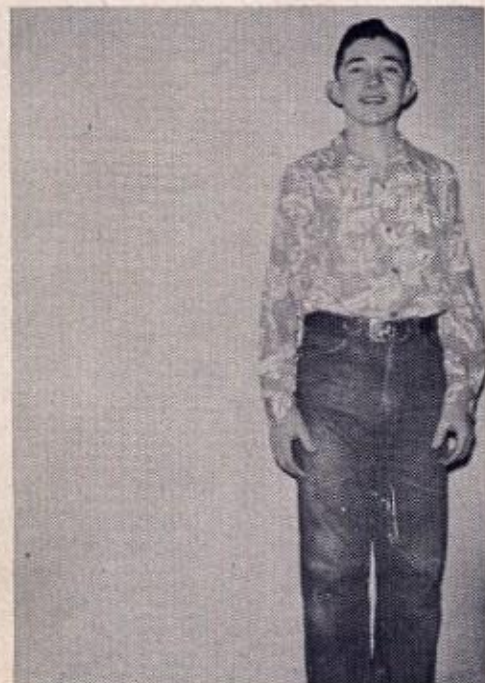
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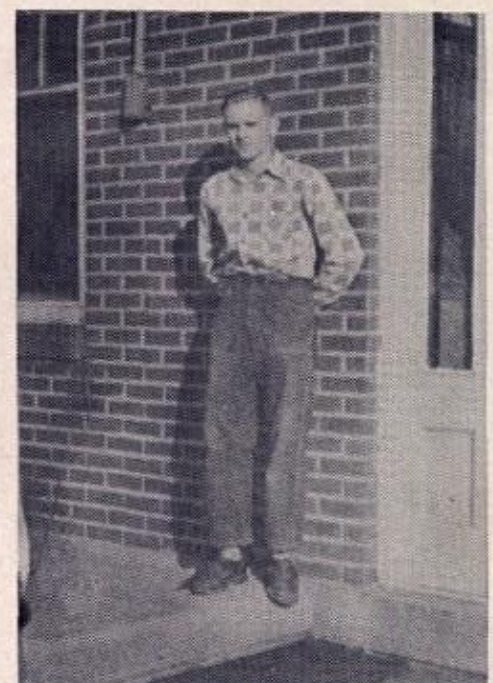
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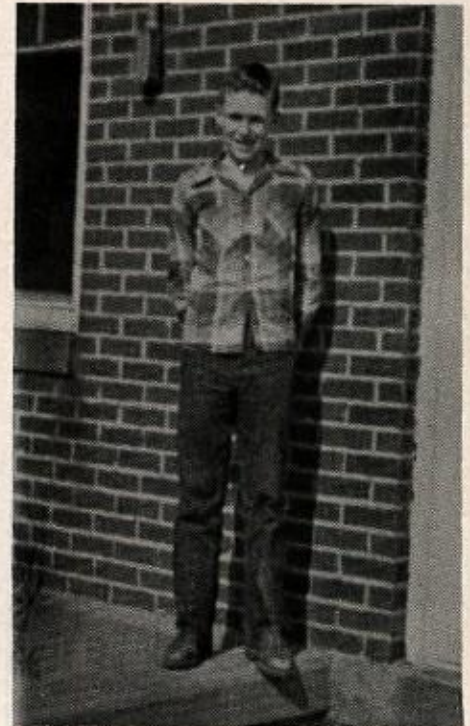


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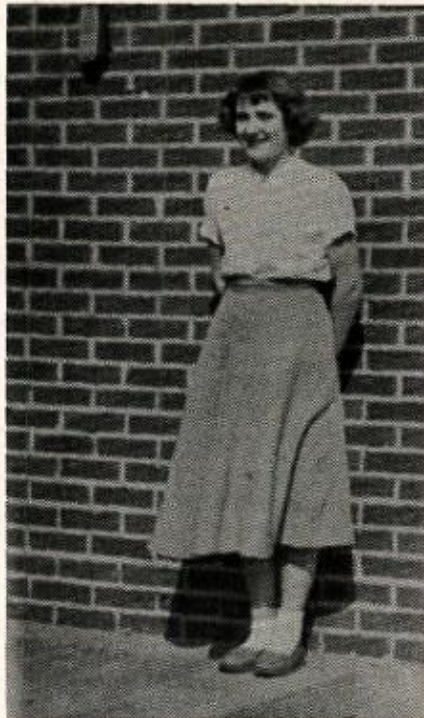
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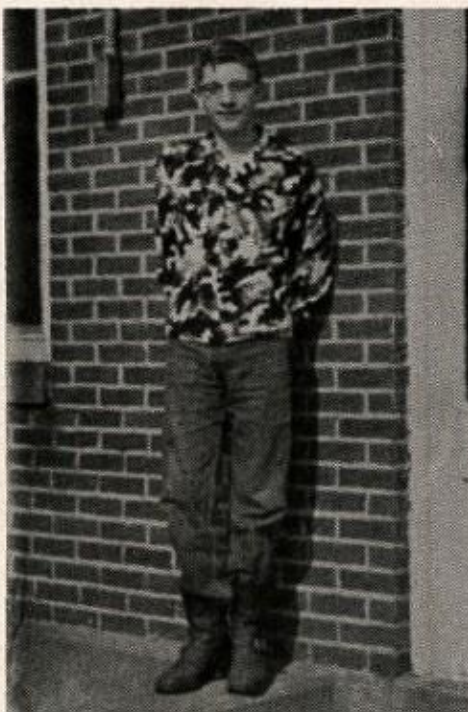
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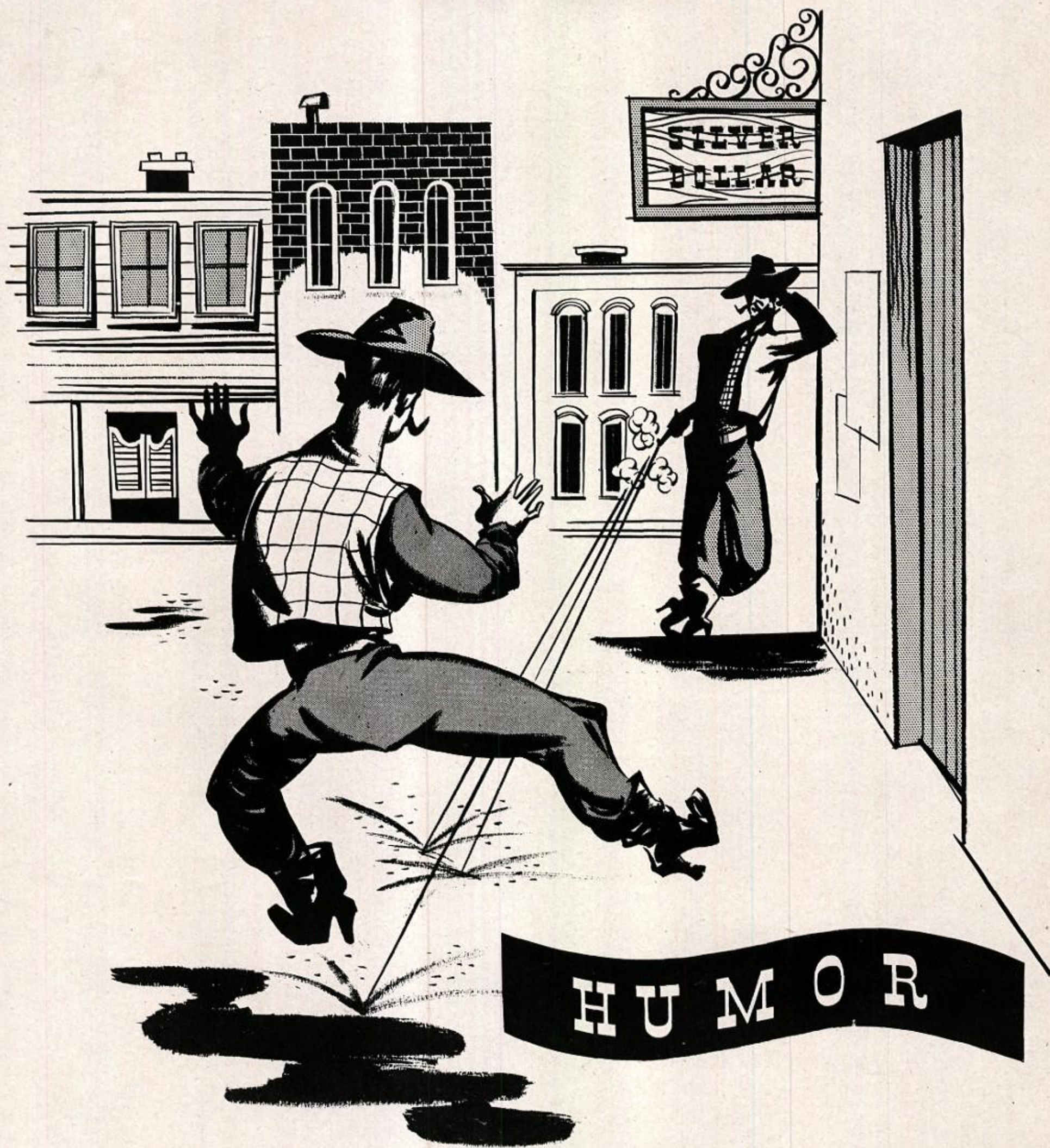
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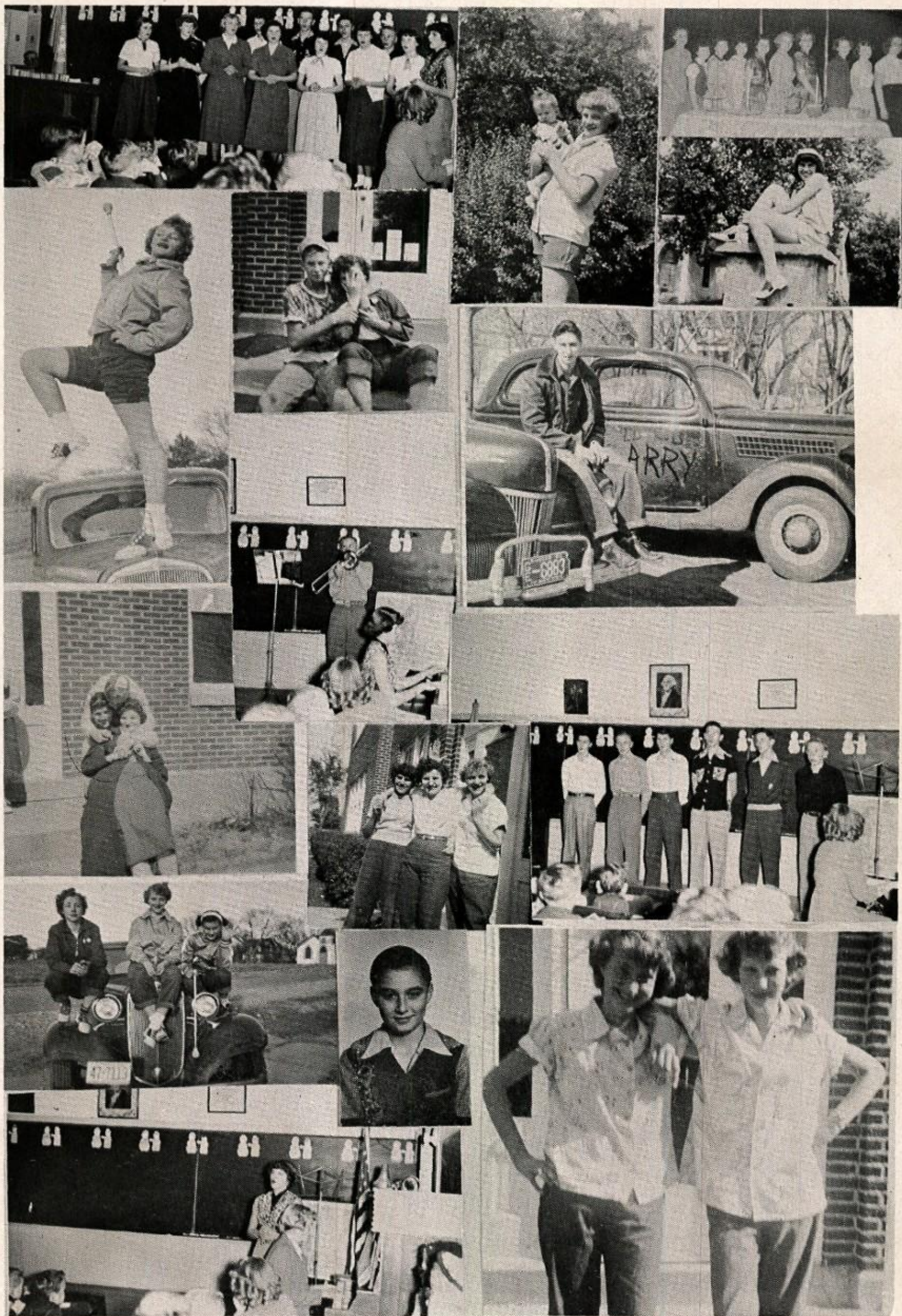


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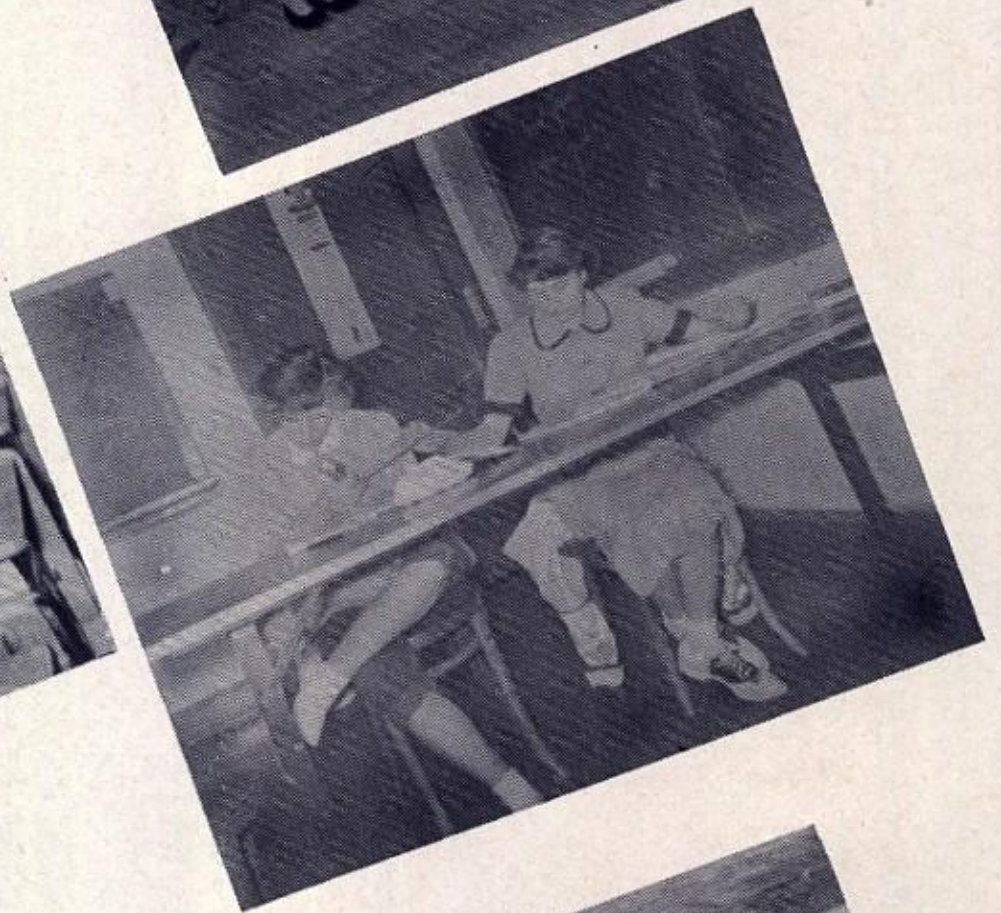
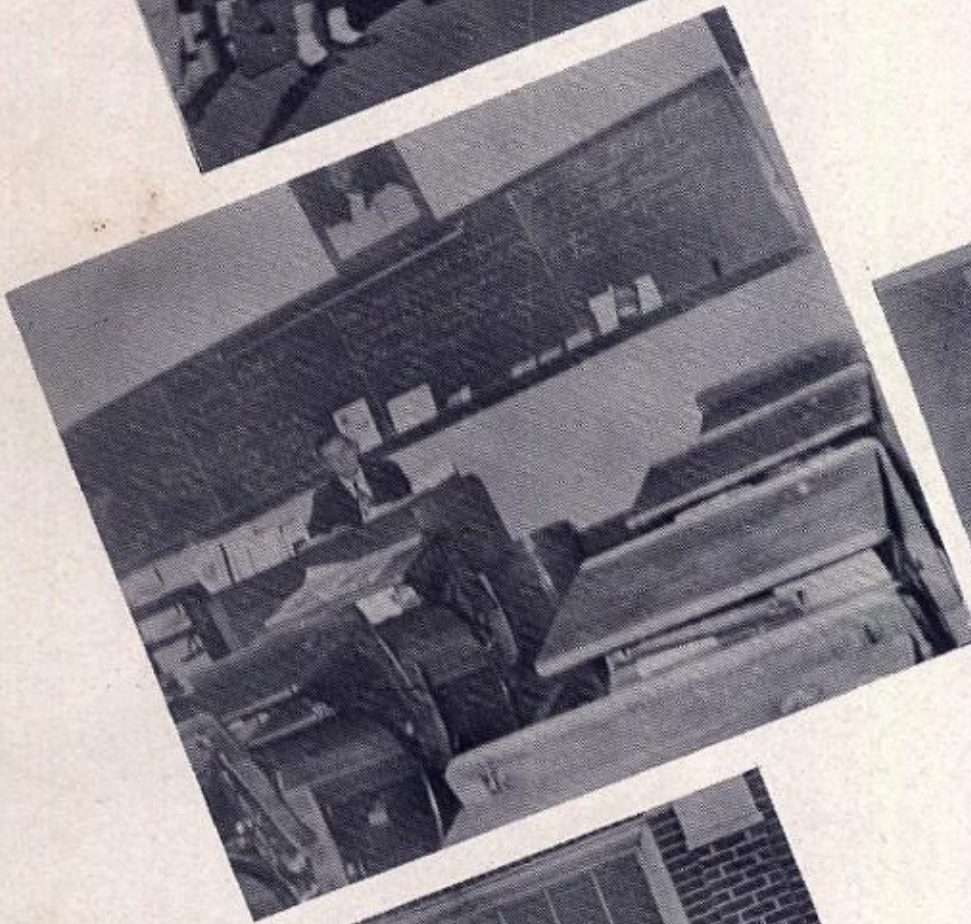


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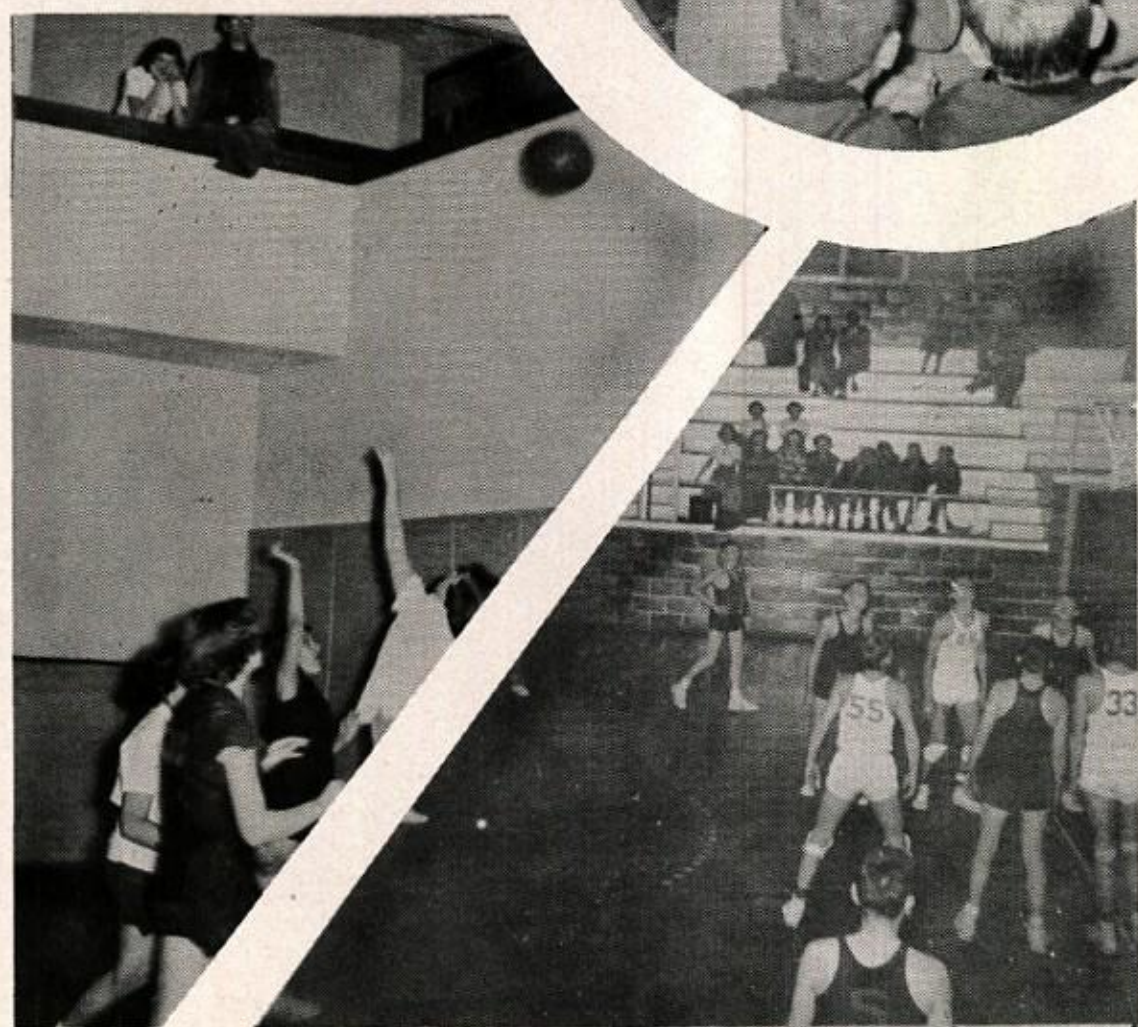
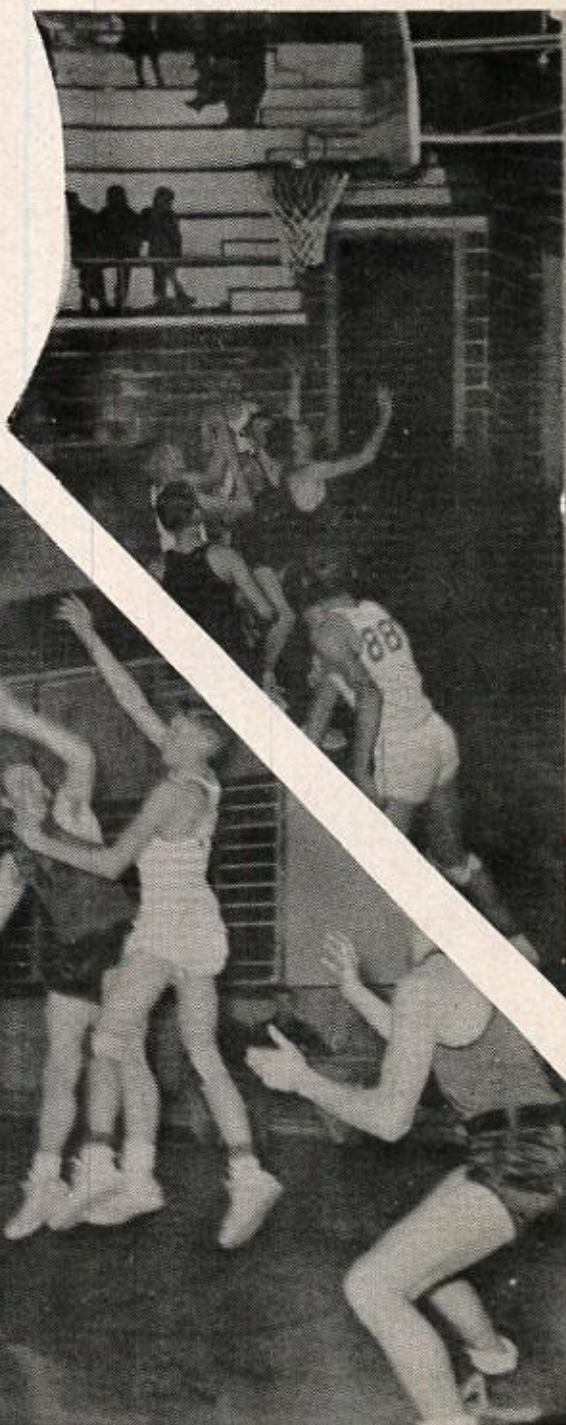
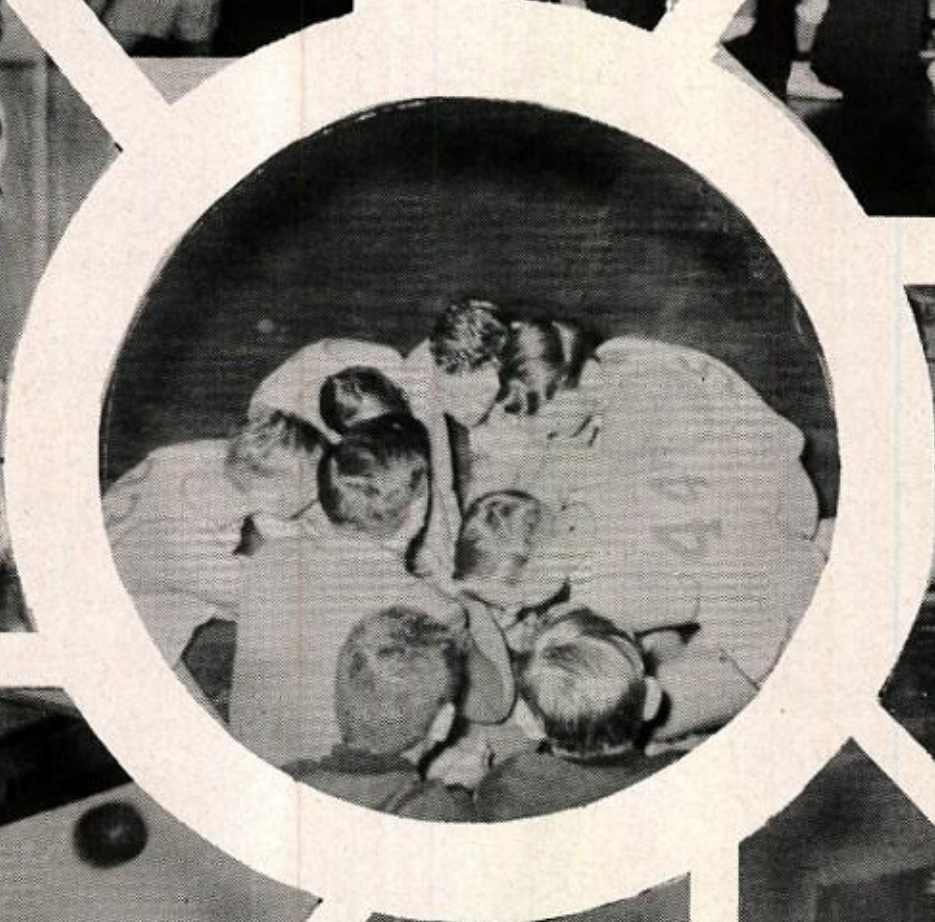
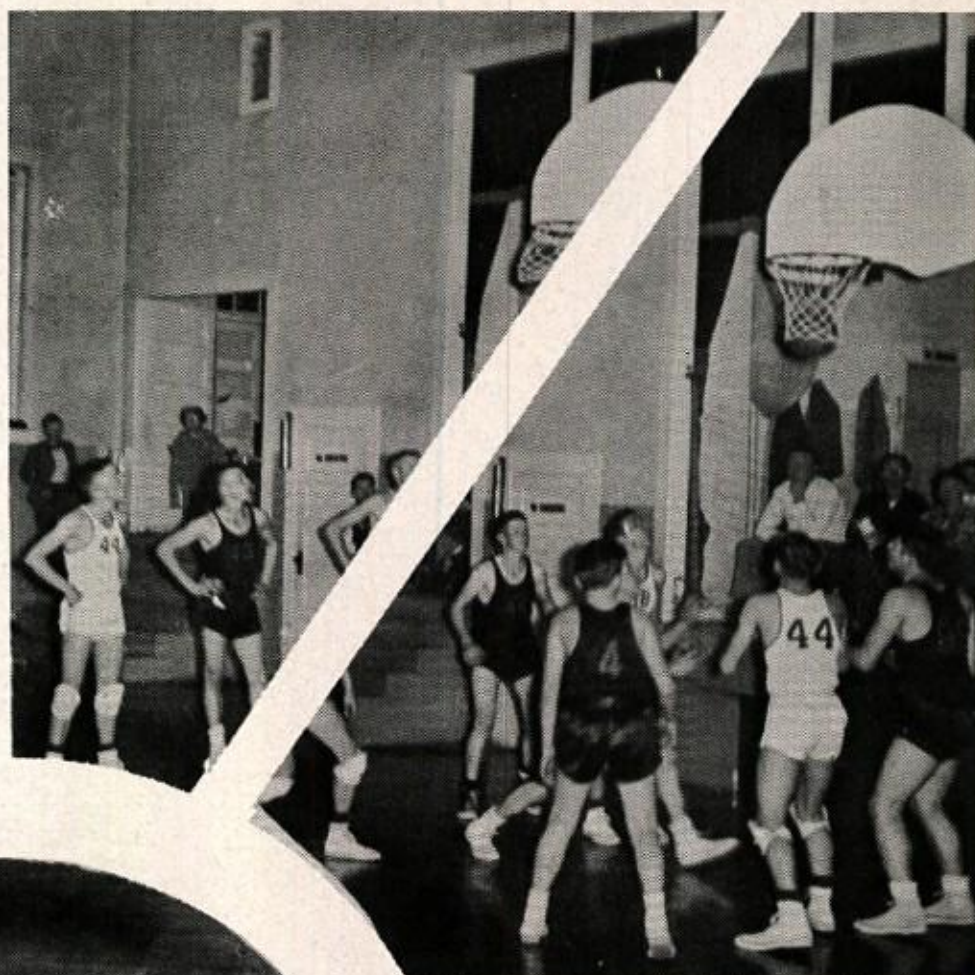


Random Snaps





ACTIVITIES



Varsity Basketball Squad

The starting of the season for the Milford Panthers proved that the Panthers hadn't played together before. But in the middle of the season we started and played good ball the rest of the season.

In the middle of the season we played Junction City B team and defeated them 45 to 42.

Another team that was high in the league was Longford and we defeated them 44 to 43.

The Panthers string of victories was increased during the middle part of the season. The big game of the season was with Wakefield, February 1. The game started out with Milford making the first basket of the ball game. The Panthers were in the lead most of the time, leading at the half 21 to 13. The second half the Wakefield players got off to a good start and broke the lead Milford had built up the first half. In the final minutes of the game Wakefield pulled out in front, but the last few seconds Milford scored and tied the game up at 32 to 32. When the overtime started Wakefield was given a free throw and they made it, and that made the score 33 to 32 in favor of Wakefield. Then it was Milford's ball out and Milford made a field goal to put them in the lead 34 to 33. Wakefield made one more attempt to get another basket but was unsuccessful in doing so. Milford recovered the ball and stalled the remaining of the game.

In the county tournament we played Longford the first night and were defeated 46 to 38. In the second game we beat Morganville by a score of 46 to 39. We took third place in the county tournament.

Coach-Harold Spear
Baseball-Basketball



F. Nelson, M. Jones, B. Johnston, R. Head, R. Head



Girls' Team



Left to right: E. Stevens, D. Walters, R. Roether, A. Johnston,
H. Kidd, C. Bentz, V. Stevens.

"B" Squad



Back row: B. Oldnettle, H. Wilson, B. Puck, J. Puck, C. Meoning.
Front row: G. Christenson, R. Shivers, L. Denver, L. Jones.

Cheerleaders

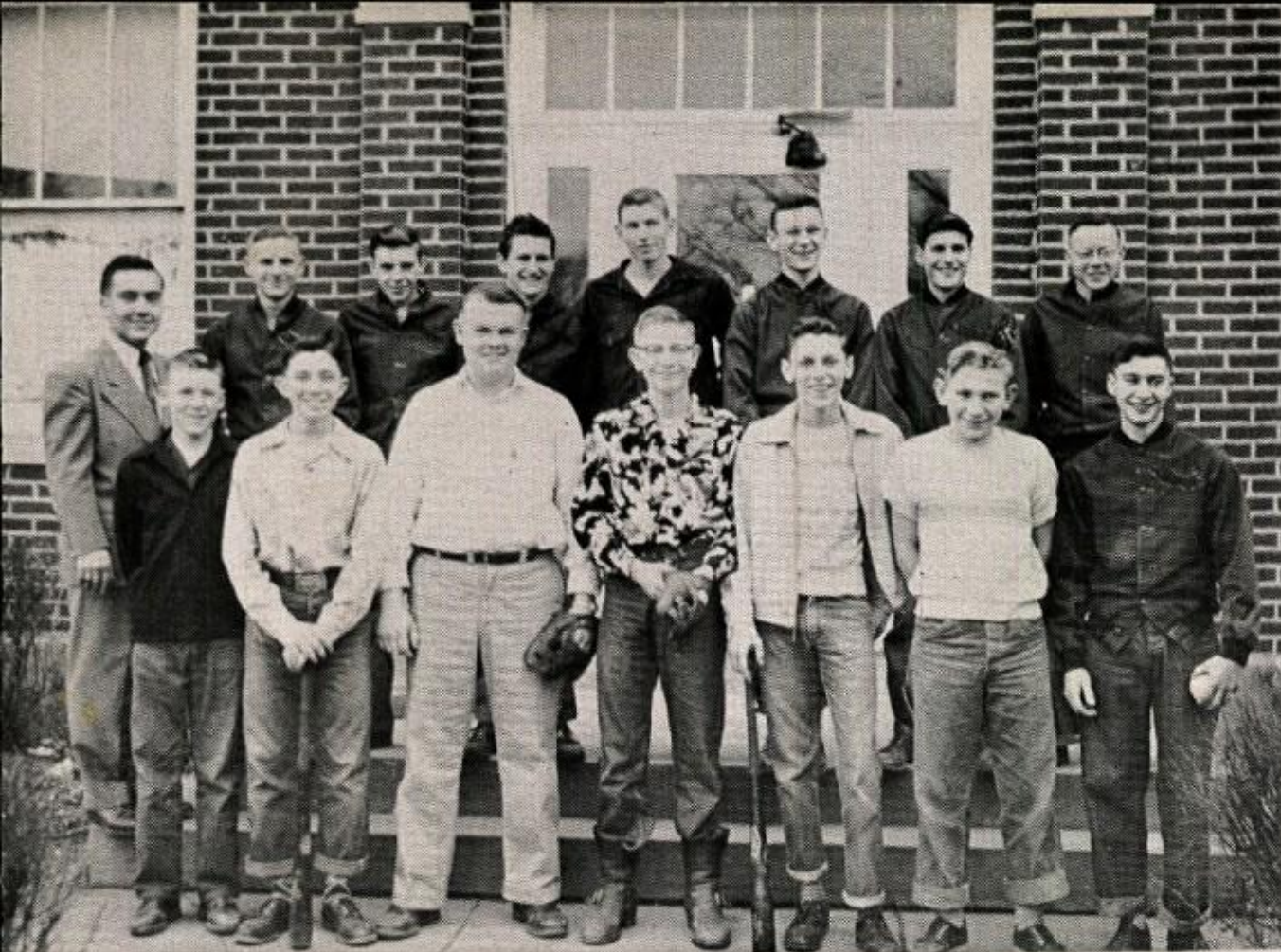


Cheerleaders: Velma and Elsie Stevens.

Pep Club



Front row: Darlene Walters, Helen Kidd, Anna Johnston, Charlotte Bentz.
Back row: Elsie Stevens, Glenna Babb, Velma Stevens.

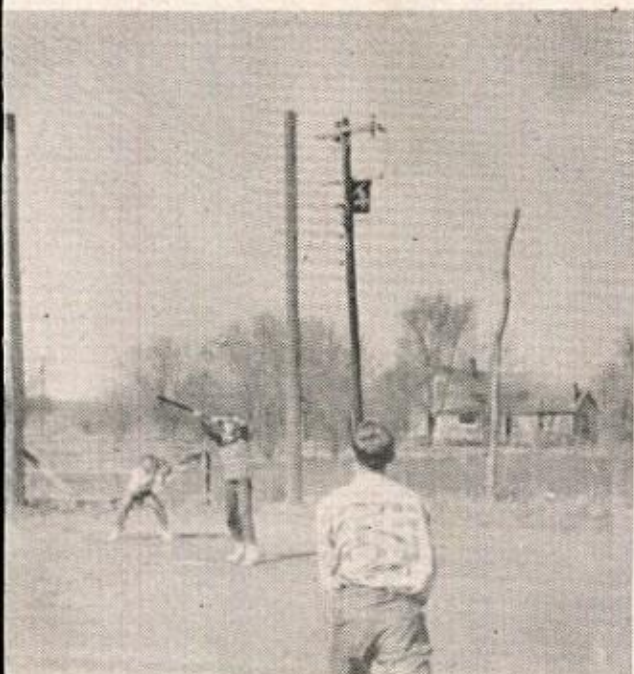


Back row: Mr. Spear, M. Jones, C. Meoning, R. Head, B. Johnston, R. Head
J. Puck.

Front row: L. Jones, R. Shivers, B. Puck, B. Oldnettle, L. Denver, G.
Christenson, F. Nelson

Boys' Baseball

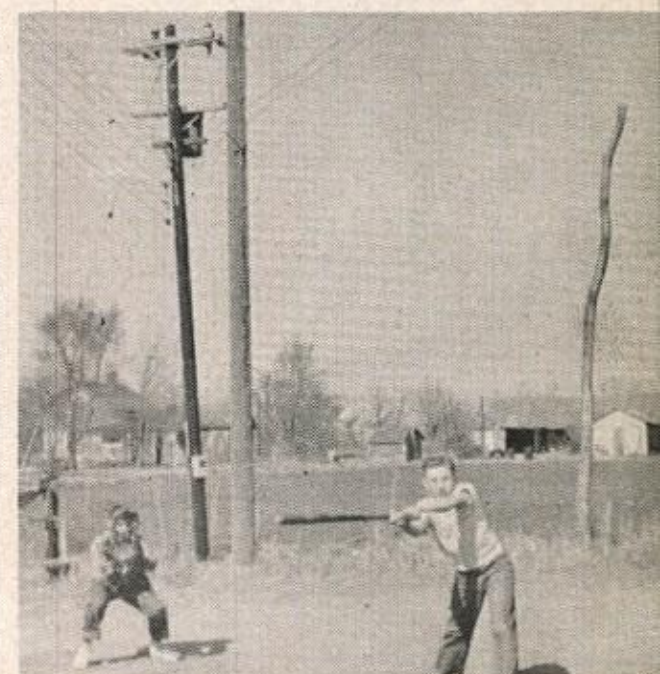
Roy goes after a high one.



Two hands for a beginner



Open your eyes Gene.





Our Band



Mixed Chorus

Boys' Glee Club



Front row: Gene Christensen, Floyd Nelson, Merrill Jones,
William Davies, Larry Jones
Back row: Roy Head, Bob Johnston, Bob Puck, Ron Head,
Bob Oldnettle.

Girls' Glee Club



Front row: Elsie Stevens, Darlene Walters, Charlotte Bentz,
Roberta Mellinger, Velma Stevens.
Back row: Helen Kidd, Anna Johnston, Ruth Roether, Glenna Babb,
Mrs. Spear.

On The Air

Early in January, Arthur Cowen, of KJCK asked us to have a 30 minute program on the air, February 8, at 2:30.

There were many surprised looks when the pupils found the wonderful news on the study hall black board. Looking from one to another they replied, "Just think, on the air".

It was decided from the beginning that it would be all music. The music students then filed into the music room, the doors were closed, and the work began.

Everyone asked what was going to be on their program. The answer was. "Listen in on KJCK at 2:30, February 8".

On February 8, 16 of Milford's High School students piled into cars and were off to Junction City. They all met at the stairway leading up to KJCK and went up to the studio together.

At 2:30 sharp Mr. Cowen introduced us to the radio audience and we were at last "On The Air". Merrill Jones, who was our first announcer introduced the following:

'On the road to Mandalay' - Mixed ensemble

'I'll always Love You' - Trumpet solo - Roy Head

'Stouthearted Men' - Boys sextet
'Days of Youth'

'Moonglow' - Saxophone solo - Buford Miller

'Spanish Gypsy Dance' - Piano solo - Ruth Roether

At this point we have a new announcer. Roy Head takes over the 'mike', and introduced the latter part of the program, which consists of:

'Making Love Ukulele Style' - Trumpet solo - Larry Jones

'Softly As In a Morning Sunrise' - Girls glee club
'When Day Is Done'

'Maple Leaf Rag' - Trombone solo - Merrill Jones

'Make Believe' - Vocal solo - Roberta Mellinger

'Oklahoma' - Mixed ensemble

This completed our radio program. Everyone thought it a very interesting experience. We wouldn't mind if we could do it again sometime.

Kayettes



Front row: V. Stevens, C. Bentz, H. Kidd, E. Stevens, D. Walters.
Back row: A. Johnston, R. Mellinger, R. Roether, G. Babb, Mrs. Jones.

The Kansas Association for Youth is an organization for both Junior and Senior high school boys and girls. They are known as the Kayettes and the boys as the Kays. The basic philosophy of the organization is to teach the members, through regular programs, service projects and recreational activities, the positive approach of life. We have one-half hour a week for each meeting. These are planned in advance.

On November 7-8, Charlotte Bentz, Velma Stevens, Roberta Mellinger, and Mrs. Jones attended a Kay-Kayette conference at Council Grove.

The first day began with registration and was followed by a general session and party. The day was started with meditations and was followed by discussion groups, general session, luncheon and recognition service.

Ruth Roethe and Roberta Mellinger were the delegates sent to summer camp which was at Arkansas City. The purpose of the camp is to develop leaders.

Junior Play



Front row: Darlene Walter, Helen Kidd, Ruth Roether, Charlotte Bentz,
Roberta Mellinger, Elsie Stevens.
Back row: William Davies, Roy Head, Ron Head, Jim Puck, Larry Denver.

Meet the Folks

The Junior class presented this play, December 13 at 8:00 P.M.

James Smith, a teenager, was about to give his first public speech and about to don his first tuxedo. His suit arrived - it was too large - and he got a terrible sore throat. The maid took pity on suffering James and gave him advice on impressing the new girl. James big moments really boomed when the vice-president got up and gave the same speech he was to give. A free - for - all fight was started then because James was so embarrassed. But Pa and Ma returned just in time to prevent a call for the riot squad. It all ended well when the boys learned the new girl was engaged anyway!

Freshmen Initiation

Candy! Green! Shoeshine! These sounds were echoing all over the school house September 15. The candy and gum was especially good because it was all free. Those shoeshines looked better than some that cost 15¢. Darlene was especially careful about polishing shoes, because she was to rub any polish that got on the floor off with her nose.

Expert dietitians tell us you need at least 1 quart of milk daily. Glena must have been reading such because she came dressed in a baby cap, baby dress, and carrying a bottle filled with milk.

I guess there's more than one way to get a man. Anna must have thought she had a good excuse. Listen to this! She came dressed as Daisy Mae, barefooted, a short skirt, and an off the shoulder blouse completed her costume. I don't know just why she chased Larry all over the school house. Was it his good looks or his Lil' Abner costume? Larry looked very quaint dressed as Lil' Abner. Oh yes! The most interesting thing took place. Some kids told me they glanced around outside and saw Anna deliberately chasing poor Larry up a light pole. Wasn't that mean of her?

One of the Freshmen must have thought it was July 4, or around there. Darlene came in shorts and a skirt made from bathtowels, oh! yes, of course, terry-cloth. Her face looked awfully sunburned.

We had a very interesting hardball game with Green that afternoon. The Freshmen seemed not too interested in the game that day. Maybe it was just too cold to be outside.

That evening the Freshmen came up to the high school wearing those same old clothes. Glena and Larry sang a very beautiful duet. The harmony and rhythm was simply divine. Anna gave us a very interesting technique of drying after taking a bath. The potato rolling contest proved to be most graceful, Larry Jones finished first. This was pure luck because the girls were doing much better than the boys. Next came the cracker eating contest. My, what manners for high school pupils! But I suppose it wasn't bad manners just good crackers. Larry the fresh thing, even let out a whistle. My mistake again. I just found out the first one done with the crackers was to whistle.

The Sophomores took over from here and served refreshments. They furnished transportation to Junction City, where we went to a show. While at the show we saw many interesting sights, if you know what I mean.

Thanking the Freshmen and Sophomores again.

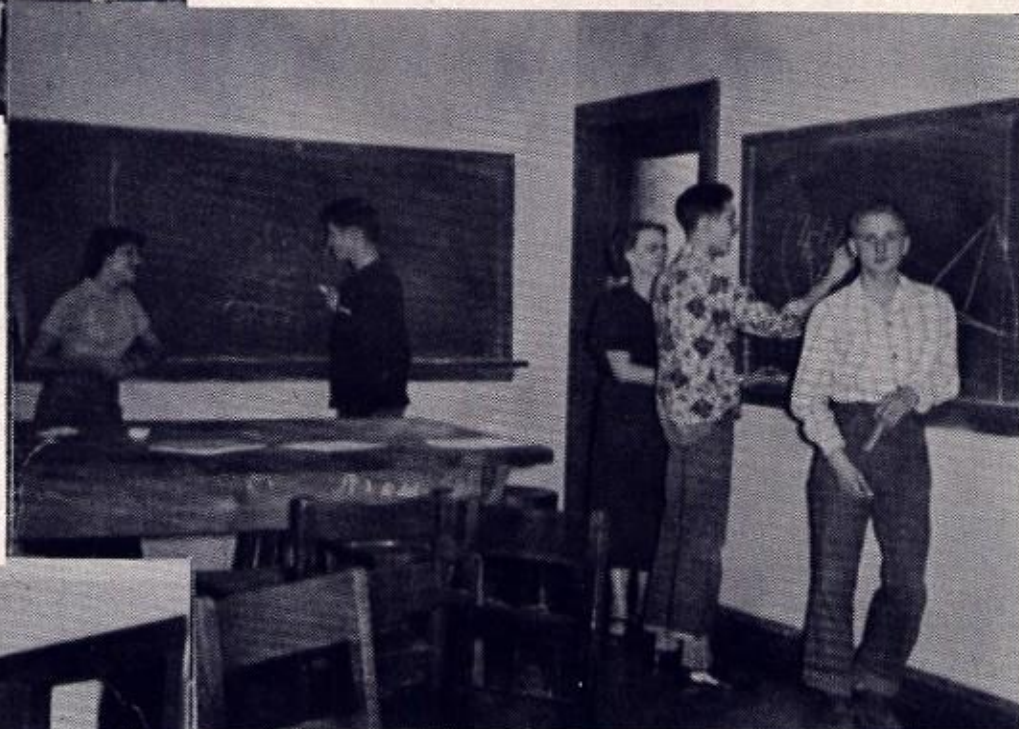


Typing Class

Left to right: Bob Puck, Clifford Moenning, Mr. Spear, Ron Head, Harlan Wilson, Jim Puck, William Davies.

Geometry Class

Left to right: Roberta Mellinger, Roy Head, Mrs. Jones, Larry Denver, Merrill Jones



Shop Class

Left to right: Bob Oldnettle, Larry Jones, Mr. Jones.

English Class

Front row: Merrill Jones, Charlotte Bentz, Velma Stevens.
Back row: Gene Christenson, Roy Head, Raymond Shivers.





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Mrs. Gilliam

Carolene Louie

a very nice girl
Charlotte Bert
"Jennie"

Raymond Shivers

Best of luck to you.
Connie Spear

Best wishes
W. J. Stevens
"Dicky"

Arthur Jones

To a wonderful girl
"Good Luck Always"
Eleanor Stevens
Seniors 1951-1952

To a sweet girl,
Helen Kidd
Junior - 51-52
"Pitty"

Harold Spear

Goldie Jones

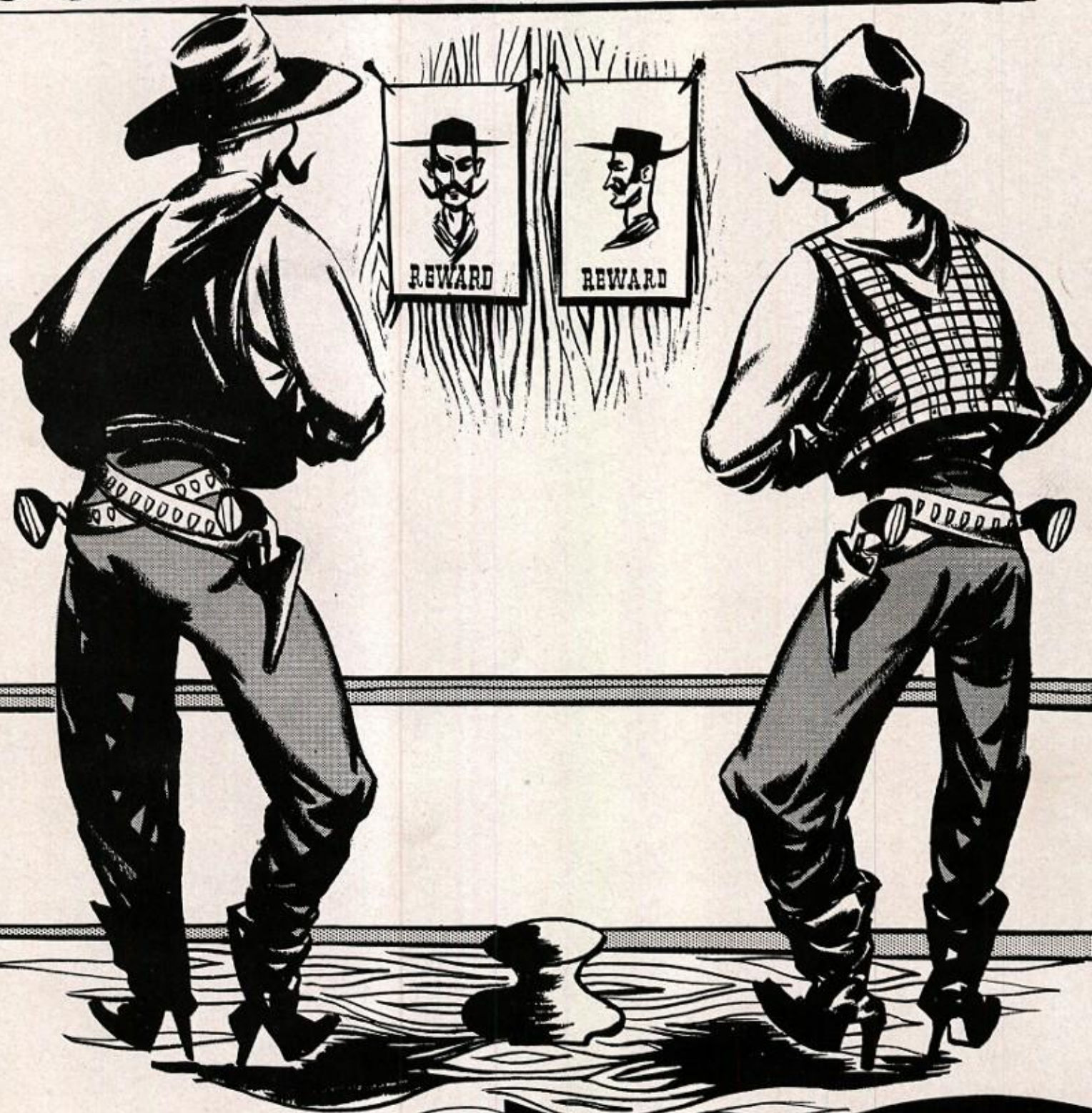
Anna Johnston
"Freshman"

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"Squirt"

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